GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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PRIVATISATION OF EDUCATION
HANNAN MOLLAH

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government's policy is directed towards privatisation of education;

(b) if so, the students and teachers' organisations expressed their grave apprehension against the education policy;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a): No, Sir. The National Policy on Education(NPE) whileencouraging non-governmental and voluntary efforts including social activists groups in the field of education, calls for steps to prevent commercialisation of education.

(b),(c) & (d): Government has taken note of the apprehensions expressed in this regard.